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NCAP

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1. FOLLOWING COMMENTS ARE KEYED TO THREE QUESTIONS POSED IN PARA 3, REFTEL, AND BASED ON CAREFUL EXAMINATION OF MANILA'S NCAP.

2. TERMINATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAM WILL HAVE MINIMAL EFFECT ON LAW ENFORCEMENT ASPECTS OF OUR NCAP. THE MANILA REGIONAL OFFICE OF DEA HAS BEEN AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT, NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE, AND CONTACTS WITH LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. OTHER ELEMENTS OF MISSION INCLUDING REGIONAL SECURITY OFFICE, LEGAL ATTACHE (FBI), CONSULAR SECTION, OSI (USAF), AND NISO (USN) ALSO HAVE EXTENSIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTACTS FORESEE NO LOSS OF MOMENTUM IN DEVELOPMENT OF NCAP DUE TO DEPARTURE OF PS ADVISORS. PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAM WHICH HAD BEEN PLANNED FOR INITIATION IN FY75 WAS TO HAVE FOCUSED ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MANILA AND OUTLYING POLICE FORCES. WHILE IMPROVED POLICE CAPABILITY WOULD MAKE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO MORE EFFECTIVE NCAP IN MANILA AND OUTLYING AREAS/-TERMINATION PS PROGRAM WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT NCAP.

3. ONLY ONE PS ADVISOR HAS BEEN DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE NCAP ON FULL-TIME BASIS AS THE NARCOTICS ADVISOR. FROM ONSET OF NCAP HE HAS BEEN TOTALLY IDENTIFIED WITH NARCOTICS PROGRAM AS NARCOTICS ADVISOR, NOT PS ADVISOR. HIS POSITION IS ESSENTIAL AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE NEEDED FOR DURATION OF OUR PROGRAM. POSITION INCUMBENT BEING REDESIGNATED AS CHIEF NARCOTICS ADVISOR; WILL REPORT DIRECTLY TO OFFICE OF USAID DIRECTOR. POSITION IS BUDGETED BY THE SPECIAL NARCOTICS FUND, NOT OPS. RESPONSIBILITIES AND OPERATIONS IN NARCOTICS FIELD IN PHILIPPINES WELL DIVIDED AMONG THE VARIOUS US AGENCIES CONCERNED WITH OVER-ALL PROGRAM UNDER SUPERVISION/COORDINATION OF DCM ASSTANT NARCOTICS COORDINATOR. THUS, USAID NARCOTICS ADVISOR CHIEFLY RESPONSIBLE FOR LIAISON WITH AND ADVISORY SERVICES TO GOP DANGEROUS DRUGS BOARD AND NATIONAL AGENCIES AND INDIVIDUAL

CITY POLICE DEPARTMENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE NATIONWIDE NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM. AS PART OF DUTIES IN THIS AREA HE IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSURING EFFECTIVE PLANNING FOR AND USE OF EQUIPMENT PROVIDED FIVE-MAN NARCOTICS UNIT IN INDIVIDUAL CITIES. HE IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR ADVISING PARTICIPANT GOP AGENCIES (NBIN NAPOLCOM, NEDA) AND CITY POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN DEVELOPMENT OF APPROPRIATE NARCOTICS TRAINING PROGRAMS. WISH, HOWEVER, POINT OUT THAT STRONG NEED ALSO EXISTS FOR TA SUPPORT TO COMMUNICATIONS ASPECT OF NCAP TO ASSURE ADEQUATE UTILIZATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PLANNED COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. SOURCE OF THIS TA EXPECTED TO COME FROM USAID ADVISOR, OTHER THAN PRESENT NARCOTICS ADVISOR. WE NOW IN PROCEED DETERMINING MOST APPROPRIATE FUNDING SOURCE FOR THIS TECHNICIAN WHO ALSO REQUIRED FOR OTHER GOP/USAID ACTIVITIES.

4. GIVEN THE LIMITED SIZE AND CAREFULLY DEFINED NATURE OF OUR NCAP (CONFINED TO ENFORCEMENT), THE TIGHT COORDINATION AND CLOSE COOPERATION DEVELOPED AMONG MISSION ELEMENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE NCAP, AND THE ANTICIPATED CONTINUATION OF THE PROGRAM IN THE NEAR FUTURE ALONG THE SAME GENERAL GUIDELINES, WE FIND NO REASON AT THIS TIME TO REQUEST ASSIGNMENT OF ADDITIONAL ADVISOR TO WORK EXCLUSIVELY ON NARCOTICS CONTROL, THOUGH SOME ARRANGEMENT MIGHT NEED TO BE WORKED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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